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In re Application of:

DWIVEDI et al.

Serial No. 09/537,088

Group Art Unit: 1653

Examiner: J. RUSSEL

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For: NOVEL INCLUSION COMPLEXES OF A HIGH POTENT OPIOID PEPTIDE, PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITIONS AND METHOD OF TREATMENT

## RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

March 29, 2000

Sir:

Filed:

This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of April 04, 2001, with the three month shortened statutory period to respond set to expire on July 04, 2001. A petition for a three-month extension of time and a check are filed herewith extending the period for response to October 04, 2001. Accordingly, the Response is timely filed.

In view of the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in this application.

## **AMENDMENT**

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1-4, 6-8, 10-12, and 14-15 and delete claim 13 as indicated in Appendices A and B submitted herewith.